

National Maritime Heritage Foundation

August Broadsides Update



It's been a busy summer for NMHF, and August proves to be no exception! Kids Set Sail continues to put youngsters out on the water every week, while our schooner *American Spirit* is taking out such diverse groups as YMCA groups, Disabled American Veterans, and congressional staffers. The BIG Team Regatta is also just around the corner and spaces for a corporate team are filling up quickly. There's still time left in the summer to get involved with NMHF, so don't hesitate to see how you can share in our programs and mission!

Goodbye, Good luck, and Thank you!

NMHF would like to extend our deepest thanks and best wishes to Bridget Barnhart, director of our DC Sail program. After nearly a year of hard work expanding our successful community sailing program, Bridget has headed to California to study for her master's degree at the University of San Francisco on a full scholarship! Congratulations and good luck in the future Bridget – you'll be missed by the whole NMHF family.

We would like to thank the DC Central Kitchen and its catering division Fresh Start for becoming our official catering partner for *American Spirit* – if you haven't been on our schooner before, perhaps the delicious dishes prepared by Marianne Ali and the rest of the Fresh Start staff will entice you to come aboard!

Big thanks also go out to NMHF volunteer **Gerhard Straub**. Gerhard was our contact for FCC engineering matters as we went through our USCG inspection on *American Spirit*. Without his advice and guidance, we would have had a much harder time getting our safety certificate – Gerhard advised us regarding our radio installation, helped us rig and route cables, and measured and certified our installation. Gerhard works as a senior engineer at "Voice of America" and has earned a big "atta boy!" from the *American Spirit* crew!



NMHF would also like to thank **Doug McManus**, who has generously taken over volunteer coordination for DC Sail. In constant communication with the numerous Volunteer Instructors, Doug, from his office at the Department of Justice, works closely with Sean Flaherty in the NMHF office to ensure that daily lessons offered through DC Sail are staffed and that the program runs smoothly. A regular at the Mathew Henson

Center, Doug's help is invaluable to NMHF's DC Sail program. To Volunteer with DC Sail, e-mail gosailing@dcsail.org and Doug will help get you involved.
Announcements

NMHF to participate in Leukemia Cup and Jr. Leukemia Cup fundraisers

This September, we are fielding teams in the Leukemia Cup regattas. Last year was a blast with great participation from DC Sail members. This year, we are selling spots in our boats for \$25/person. Adults will be sailing Flying Scots, and Students will be sailing Flying Juniors (FJs). Entry fees are \$100/boat for Scots and \$50/boat for FJs.

The annual Regatta encourages sailors to raise their sails in honor of the thousands of blood cancer patients in addition to raising money for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's cancer research and patients' service programs. Last year's event included a visit from legendary sailor Gary Jobson, honorary Regatta chairman and a non-Hodgkin lymphoma survivor. U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson also made a guest appearance, applauding those supporting the Regatta. Take a look at your calendar and please try to join us! Call Duncan Hood at 202-547-1250 (dhood@nmhf.org) and reserve a spot today. Click on the links below for more details.



Dates: [Leukemia Cup](#), September 10, 09:00 at Washington Sailing Marina.
[JR Leukemia Cup Regatta](#): Sept 17th, 09:00 at Ft. Washington Marina

High School Sailing program begins September 12

Last spring's HS Sailing program went very well and this fall we are looking forward to working with both old friends and new ones. We will be working with a number of local high schools in the area to give students the skills and experience they need to compete interscholastically. This fall, Oliver Whitney will be acting as coach. Oliver has acted as lead instructor this summer, to much acclaim, and he is looking forward to making things happen for us all. Questions? Call 202-547-1250 or email OWhitney@nmhf.org



Dates: Parent & student meeting: September 10, 10am at the Henson Center, 2000 Half St. SW, Wash DC, 20024
First day of practice: September 12, 4pm – 6pm

- **Disabled Veterans from Walter Reid Hospital Sail with NMHF on *American Spirit*:**

On Wednesday, August 3rd, veterans from Walter Reid Hospital joined us for a three hour sunset cruise on the Potomac. The cruise consisted of 40 vets, nurses, and

administrators, bound for a change of scenery, an on-the-water dinner, and two hours of peace and camaraderie. This was the third trip we have taken with the group and as always, it was a very moving experience. We even ended up on Fox 5 News that evening. We look forward to working with Walter Reid in the future and thank them for the opportunity to show our appreciation for the bravery of the men and women in the United States armed forces.

- **Inaugural Weather and Celestial Navigation Class to be held this winter!**

NMHF is planning to continue its programming even when the birds have flown south and the rivers have iced over! In the winter we are holding a weather and celestial navigation class for all interested parties. In order to proactively gauge interest in the class, we would like your input! Please email Greg Capone at GCapone@nmhf.org if you are interested in attending the class. Suggestions are welcome and, pending sufficient interest, classes will begin in November.

- **Volunteer for the 2005 BIG Team Regatta!**

We are looking for a few good men and women to join the BIG Regatta Volunteer Crew. The annual event, which takes place on September 30th 2005 in Annapolis, raises thousands for NMHF's Kids Set Sail youth development program and always promises to be a great time had by all. We are actively seeking volunteers to help raise donations and sponsorships for our silent auction, enter boats in the event, and work as day-of volunteers during the event. This is a great opportunity to involve yourself with NMHF while partaking in a fun day of sailing for a great cause. If interested, please contact Greg Capone at 202 547 1250 or GCapone@nmhf.org. You can also find more information on the BIG Regatta at the BIG website, <http://www.big2005.gelcorp.com>.

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Business, Industry &
Government Team Up
for Kids Set Sail

To benefit:



- **NMHF to be featured in “Anchor Watch.”**

NMHF will be the member in the spotlight in the upcoming issue of “Anchor Watch,” the Official Journal of the Historic Naval Ships Association. This article will describe future building plans for the Spirit of Enterprize and highlight the programs of the National Maritime Heritage Foundation. We would like to thank the association for this great honor. You can see their website at www.hnsa.org

- **NMHF is Ruffling off a Handy Cat 14' sailboat:**



Win a completely restored sailboat of your own! All proceeds benefit Kids Set youth outreach program. NMHF has 500 tickets and will hold the drawing 10, 2005 at the Annapolis Sailboat are \$100 each and provide you with a opportunity to win your own vessel! To purchase a ticket please make a donation directly on our website and contact Kevin Traver at NMHF, 202 547 1250 or KTraver@NMHF.org NMHF will send you a ticket via US Mail.

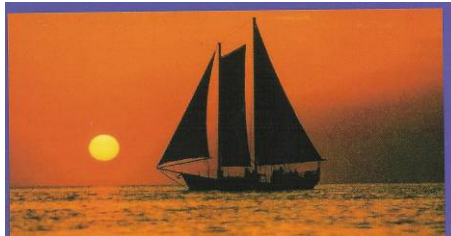


your very Sail, NMHF's printed only on October Show. Tickets great

- **American Spirit is available for Charters:**

American Spirit, the only tall ship in DC, is now available for Charters! You can take your private or corporate group, up to 40 guests, out on *American Spirit* for a great sunset cruise on the Potomac. For more information and pricing please contact Greg Capone at 202 547 1250 or GCapone@nmhf.org

- **NMHF to host another membership cruise in August!**



Due to the strong response to our July 23rd members cruise on *American Spirit*, NMHF has decided to hold a second cruise in August. The cruise will take place on Saturday, August 20th and all NMHF members are encouraged to bring guests who are interested in the mission and

programs of NMHF. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Greg Capone at 202-547-1250 or GCapone@nmhf.org

Upcoming Events

NMHF Member Appreciation Cruise

Saturday, August 20, Time: 5pm

Gangplank Marina

All members of NMHF and guests are welcome! Please see above for further details.

BIG Team Regatta Update

With less than two months to go



before the BIG Team Regatt



a, NMHF and its partners J-World and GEL Corp have already garnered 14 teams and numerous corporate sponsors for the event! This year we are also adding a silent auction and are actively seeking out contributors for the list of items to be auctioned. NMHF is inviting all interested corporate organizations to take part in the BIG Regatta in Annapolis, Maryland on September 30, 2005 - such notable firms as Old Mutual Financial, All State Insurance, Phillips Seafood, and SAIL Magazine have already entered boats in the event. Corporate teams are also welcome to participate as sponsors and will receive the benefits of involvement with a high-profile event. All proceeds will benefit NMHF's developmental sailing program, Kids Set Sail. This a fabulous opportunity for you to get out on the water with your staff or co-workers, exercise your teambuilding skills, and support youth sailing all at the same time. For more information, go to www.gelcorp.com or email Greg Capone at GCapone@nmhf.org.

Final Word

National Maritime Heritage Foundation is extremely proud of the progress it has made this year, let alone this summer! As we continue to expand in size and scope, NMHF will need your help in achieving its vision of a "Living Waterfront Community". Whether you're volunteering your time for the BIG Regatta or American Spirit crew, visiting our online donations page, or simply spreading the word about our organization, we thank you for your help and support. Please continue to help in any way you can, and our common goals will soon be achieved!

Fair Winds,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin J. Traver". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "K" and a long, sweeping underline.

Kevin J. Traver
Executive Director